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Application No.: 09/529,096) Group Art Unit: 1624
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the withdrawal of all rejections and allowance of the claims. See Notice of Allowability dated October 1, 2001.

In the Statement of Reasons for Allowance, the Examiner referred to Applicants' claimed invention as including a "substituted phenyl-C(OH)H-NH-CH₂-CH₂-Phenyl-NH-CO-X-Heterocycle-R core." See Statement of Reasons for Allowance at page 2.

Applicants respectfully traverse this restatement of their claimed invention, at least because it contains structural errors. Applicants rely, instead, upon the allowed claims as defining their patented invention.

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CONCLUSION

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